

21 July 1950

MEMORANDUM FOR: The Director

SUBJECT: Notes for this afternoon's IAC Meeting (21 July 1950)

Air Force's Priorities on Critical Objectives

1. If "a list" is necessary for the Collectors, in addition to their standing and special instructions, why should it come from the HEC rather than from CIA and the IAC, who, after all, are the chiefs of the Collectors. Absolute relative priorities on such a list cannot be established in any practical way due to capabilities of the Collectors, changing conditions, etc.

2. It is thought that everyone is working on priorities of one sort or another, depending upon their dominant interests and local conditions abroad, and that a great deal of time would be spent uselessly in trying to correlate all lists into one of fixed relative priorities.

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Reports

1. It is believed State is already handling this matter for Defense. Why should this organization bring this to the attention of the Secretary of State through the HEC, rather than the Secretary of Defense asking State direct for this information?

2. ?? IAC support of USCIB's Memo to HEC ??  
Re selective mobilization of reserves in its specialized field and with a general expansion of other personnel and equipment??

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